



10e A review

Writing a review

1 Read the review of a website and answer the questions.

- 1 What is the purpose of the website?
- 2 Why does the writer like the website?
- 3 What is one problem with the site?
- 4 What is the writer's conclusion about the site?

- **1** Read the review of a website and answer the questions.

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One of my favourite websites is a free photo-sharing site called www.photoshowme.com. It's a great place for photographers to show their photos to other people.

The site has quite a few good features. Firstly, it's easy to find photographs that you are interested in. They are organized into different categories like 'travel', 'food' or 'people' so you can search for things you want to look at. Another good point is that you can comment on each other's photos, and every month a professional photographer is invited to make comments. In my opinion, you learn a lot from this person's comments.

The only problem is that it has too much advertising. I think that's how the site makes money, but when you are looking at beautiful photographs, it's annoying when an advert appears on the screen.

On the whole, it's a useful website for anyone who loves taking photographs and communicating with other people about them.

ANSWER THE QUESTIONS

1 What is **the purpose** of the website?

- It's a photo-sharing website – a place for photographers to show photos.

2 Why does the writer like the website?

- easy to find photographs; organized into different categories; can comment on each other's photos; professional photographer is invited to make comments; you learn a lot from this person's comments

3 What is **one problem** with the site?

- too much advertising

4 What is the writer's **conclusion** about the site?

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4- Paragraph structure

- Paragraph 1: What is the website? What is it for?
- Paragraph 2: In your opinion, what are the good points about the website?
- Paragraph 3: Are there any bad points or problems with the site?
- Paragraph 4: On the whole, what do you think about the site?

Paragraph 1:

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Paragraph 2:

The site has quite a few good features.

Paragraph 3:

The only problem is that it has too much advertising.

Paragraph 4:

On the whole, it's a useful website for anyone who loves taking photographs and communicating with other people about them.

4- Paragraph structure

- Paragraph 1: introduction

What is it? What is it for?

- Paragraph 2: your opinion (give good/positive points/features)

What do you like/enjoy about it/ why?

- Paragraph 3: your opinion (give bad/ negative points/features or any problem)

What you dislike about it/why

- Paragraph 4: conclusion

Sum up your main opinion

Make suggestion / Recommendation

2 Writing skill giving your opinion

a Write down any useful phrases in the review that:

a give positive opinions

One of my favourite ... is...

b give negative opinions

c. sum up the writer's main opinion

a give positive opinions

One of my favourite ... is...

One of my favourite (websites) is ...

It's a great place for ... to ...

The site has quite a few good features.

Firstly, it's easy to ...

Another good point is that (you can) ...

b give negative opinions

The only problem is that (it) ...

it's annoying when ...

c. sum up the writer's main opinion

On the whole, ...

ADVERB CONJUNCTIONS

- GIVING OPINIONS

In my opinion,/In my point of view,

From my perspective,

Personally, I think

To my mind,

It seems to me that...

I believe that...

SUM UP YOUR MAIN OPINION

On the whole,

In conclusion, /In brief, /In a word, /In summary,

To sum up,/ To conclude,/ To summarize,

Overall, / At last,

Make suggestion / Recommendation

May be you could...

I suggest you could...

I highly recommend you ...

Giving opinions

► DISCUSSING OPINIONS

Asking for an opinion

What do you think?

What's your opinion?

Giving your opinion

I think we should ...

In my opinion ...

I'm not sure about ...

Agreeing and disagreeing

I agree. / You're right. / Good idea.

I see what you mean, but ...

I disagree. / I don't agree.

Making suggestions

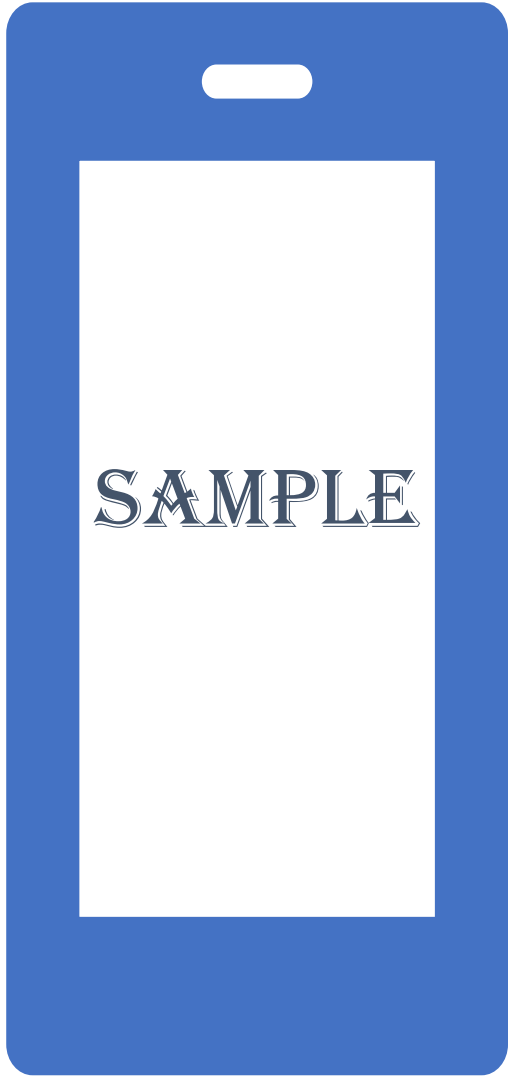
Maybe you could ...

I suggest you ...

TOPICS

WRITING A REVIEW (80-100 WORDS) 3 MARK

- A product (sản phẩm nói chung) you've bought recently/you received on your birthday/ you own (laptop/ shoes/cell phone...)
- A place (tourist attraction/ restaurant/café/ library/ hotel/park/ supermarket/cinema...)
- Others (a book/ a song/ a film/food...)



Think of **a mobile phone you own.**

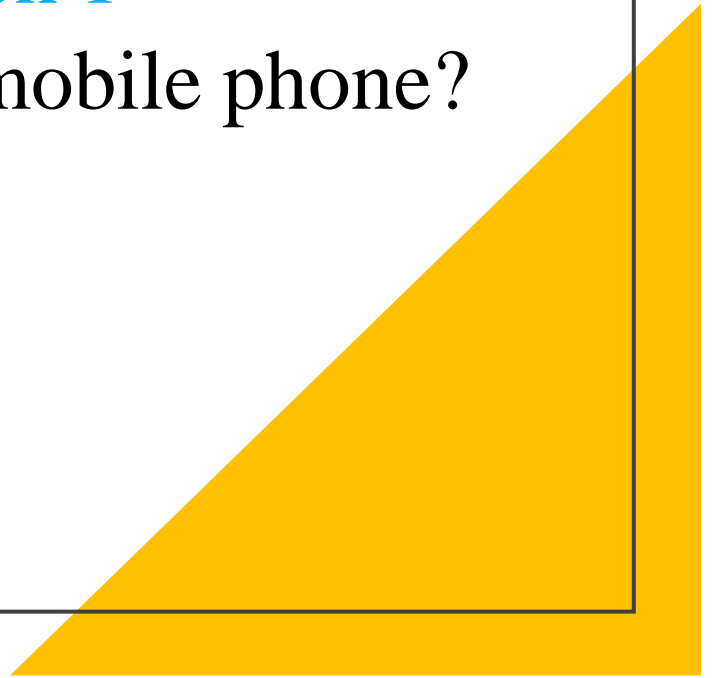
Write a four- paragraph review (80-100 words) of this mobile phone with the following suggestions:

- **Paragraph 1:** **when** did you **get** the mobile phone?
- **Paragraph 2:** What are the **good points** about it?
- **Paragraph 3:** Are there **any problems** with it?
- **Paragraph 4:** Would you **recommend to others**?

Model Answer

Paragraph 1

when did you get the mobile phone?



I got my current mobile phone, Vivo three years ago. It was a birthday gift, and I was excited to start using it.

When I was in 10th grade, my parents gave me a cell phone. It was a gift for me when I graduated from high school.

I own a Samsung phone that I've had it since my 16th birthday. It was also a gift from my dad.

The last phone I got was more than a year ago, and it was a gift from my mother after graduating from high school and attending university. It is the most precious present that I have got.

I got a cell phone when I'm in the first year of university. The phone is Samsung Galaxy bought by my parents and I rarely love it.

I received my current I-phone from my uncle on my 19th birthday . That is a wonderful and significant mobile phone with me.

I bought my phone last year when I needed a new phone for study and entertainment. It is called the Samsung M32.

In the summer of 2021, my father gave me an I-phone 11. It was a gift my father gave me when I passed the entrance university exam. I was really surprised when I received it from my dad.

I got this cell phone when I entered 10th grade. It was the iPhone 11 that my mother bought for me. I really appreciate and like it.

When I graduated my secondary school, my parents bought me a phone. It was a first mobile phone I had and still using it until now.

I got my Samsung Galaxy A71 two years ago, and it has been a reliable companion ever since. The sleek design and vibrant display immediately caught my eye, making it a pleasure to use.

To my mind, I got the mobile phone when I was 15 years old. It's an iPhone 5S and it helps me in many ways.

I got my mobile phone about four years ago. It was a gift from my parents on my 15th birthday. It's an Oppo Reno2f phone. I was thrilled to receive it and have been using it ever since.

When I graduated from high school, my father gave me an iPhone 13. Thanks to it, I could study more comfortably when I went to university.

I own an iPhone 11, which I got in March 2023. It's a great phone overall, with a sleek design, powerful performance, and excellent cameras.

One of my favorite phones is the iphone XS. It is the most wonderful phone I was given on my 15th birthday and I'm still using it now.

I got my phone as a birthday gift from my parents in 2018. I was very happy when I received it and immediately started using it for all activities.

To begin with, my old cellphone has been broken during the time I attended P.E course. Therefore, on my birthday last year, I received a new Redmi Note 12 phone as a surprise gift from my family. I love it so much and still use it until now.

When I passed the high school, my parents gave me new mobile phone. It called Iphone 8 plus. it's not modern, but I love it, and I have been using it until now.

I have used this phone for nearly 4 years, and it was Oppo. I received this phone from my brother as a gift on my birthday.

A mobile phone that I am using is Iphone 7 plus. In class 11 , my mother bought it for me when I got good student. It is so many functions so that people can use effectively.